

ABSOLUTE RATING: Unsatisfactory
IMPROVEMENT RATING: Unsatisfactory

Number of high schools with students similar to ours: 11. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to average. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.
(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
2001	Unsatisfactory	Unsatisfactory
2002		
2003		
2004		

TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	Our School			Schools With Students Like Ours		
	1999	2000	2001	1999	2000	2001
• Passed all 3 subtests	25.0	48.1	39.2	35.1	43.3	46.1
• Passed 2 subtests	33.8	16.7	9.8	26.8	23.2	21.5
• Passed 1 subtest	21.3	14.8	21.6	20.5	18.9	15.1
• Passed no subtests	20.0	20.4	29.4	17.5	14.6	17.2

ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS

	Our School	Schools With Students Like Ours
% of seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships at four-year institutions	4.0%	3.3%
% of seniors who met the SAT requirement	4.0%	3.9%
% of seniors who met the grade point average	20.0%	20.7%

Beginning in 2003, the graduation rate for each high school will be included in the school rating.

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Student Group	Seniors		
	Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2001	Eligibility for LIFE Scholarships	Graduation Rate
All students	78.3%	4.0%	N/A until 2003
Students with disabilities other than speech	N/A	0.0%	
Students without disabilities	78.0%	4.3%	
Gender			
Male	79.4%	7.1%	
Female	76.0%	0.0%	
Ethnic Group			
African American	78.6%	4.1%	
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	
White	66.7%	0.0%	
Other	N/A	N/A	
Lunch Status			
Free/reduced-price lunch	75.6%	0.0%	
Pay for lunch	100.0%	33.3%	

STUDENTS IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY COURSES

Mastering core competencies	50.0%
Completers placed	100.0%
Eligible students enrolled	20.8%

SCHOOL PROFILE
INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
SCHOOL				
• Dollars spent per student	\$5,778	N/A	\$7,275	\$5,668
• Prime instructional time	87.9%	Down from 90.4%	85.6%	90.1%
• Student-teacher ratio	22.7 to 1	N/A	17.9 to 1	25.1 to 1
STUDENTS (n=447)				
• Advanced Placement/ Int'l Baccalaureate Program Exam Success Ratio	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	40.0%
• Attendance rate	95.2%	Up from 95.0%	95.3%	95.3%
• Retention rate	11.2%	Up from 4.6%	16.1%	10.0%
TEACHERS (n=28)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	8.5 Days	Up from 7.4	5.6 Days	7.5 Days
• Attendance rate	94.0%	Down from 96.6%	94.0%	95.7%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	46.4%	Down from 55.6%	43.5%	49.4%
• Continuing contract teachers	89.3%	Up from 80.0%	66.7%	81.0%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	3.6%	Up from 3.3%	5.9%	3.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	85.6%	N/A	75.2%	85.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$40,770	Up 5.6%	\$37,601	\$38,125

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median High School
SCHOOL				
• Dropout rate	0.0%	Down from 1.1%	2.9%	2.9%
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	56.3%	N/A	56.8%	56.4%
• Principal's years at the school	19.0	N/A	1.0	3.0
• Percent of parents attending conferences	98.4%	N/A	64.0%	60.1%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Excellent
STUDENTS				
• Older than usual for grade	11.0%	Down from 13.6%	20.4%	10.1%
• Suspended or expelled	85	N/A	13	29
• Gifted and talented	0.3%	No change	2.7%	7.4%
• With disabilities other than speech	13.3%	Up from 7.6%	15.3%	10.7%
• Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	8.1%	N/A	8.1%	4.5%
• Enrollment in career and technology center courses	93	N/A	180	350
• Career students participating in work-based experiences	4.7%	N/A	8.4%	23.1%





PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Bowman Middle/High is a rural schoolwide Title I school serving grades 6-12, with 200 students in grades 6-8 and 238 students in grades 9-12. The school population is 93.5 percent minority, with 89.9 percent receiving free/reduced lunch.

Approximately 101 students in grades 6-8 and 76 students in grades 9-12 are on Academic Improvement Plans (AIP's), as required by the State Department of Education for students performing below grade level in math and/or reading on the Palmetto Achievement Challenge Test (PACT).

Scores on the spring 1999 PACT indicated that Bowman Middle/High students scored below both state and district levels. The scores on the spring 2000 PACT indicated an increase of 26.2 percent in language arts in grades 6-8 and 14.16 percent increase in math in grades 6-8. In spite of the improvement, Bowman scored below both state and district levels.

We continuously strive to improve the academic achievement of all students, to increase parental participation and community involvement, and to provide a student-centered learning environment. Through Title I, we have implemented many programs including Accelerated Reader, Classroom in a Cart, SAT Stanford, Cornerstone, Skillsbank 4, Star Reading, Geometric SketchPad, and Accelerated Math. Computer labs assist with learning by providing students with access to current technology. Parents are encouraged to become involved through quarterly conferences, advisory councils, booster clubs and volunteer programs. Students participate in student advisory boards, service learning and character education activities, as well as clubs and sports.

Fifty-two percent of our faculty have earned master's degrees. A school resource officer has been added to the staff. Last year, all seniors graduated with a high school diploma and 78 percent enrolled in two or four year colleges.

Our belief is that all children at Bowman Middle/High can and will learn in an effective and productive school with the support and cooperation of our parents and our community.

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	50.0	57.7	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	50.0	57.7	
Satisfied with home-school relations	40.9	57.7	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Bowman High
1318 Bowman Branch Highway
Bowman, SC 29018



Grades 6-12 High School

Enrollment: 447 Students

Principal

Brenda Jamison 803-829-2873

Superintendent

Mr. Melvin Smoak 803-534-5454

Board Chair

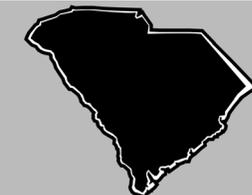
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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade:
Unsatisfactory



South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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